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1. This shop is one of the oldest factories for the production and repair of rolling stock for the Bulgarian railroad lines. It is known as the Andrey Zhdanov shop, was constructed in 1928, and occupies an area about 1,000 by 2,500 meters in size. It is located about 1,500 meters north of the railroad station of Dryanovo (N 42-58, E 25-28) and about 200 meters west of the Dryanovo-Turnovo railroad line. It constructs and repairs box cars, flat cars, gondolas, passenger coaches, and baggage cars.
2. This shop is equipped with two railroad spurs connected with the Dryanovo railroad station, and the rolling stock enters and leaves the shop from both the north and south sides. It employs about 2,000 workers, including specialists, clerks, and common laborers, in three 8-hour shifts a day. In 1952, after long and hard work of the laborers, the shop was able to complete the construction of a sleeping car.
3. The plant was allegedly recently equipped with a new-type machinery provided by East Germany and Hungary, so that it will be able to:
  - a. Repair larger numbers of cars and freight cars;
  - b. Initiate the construction of rolling stock in quantities sufficient to meet the continuing needs of railroad transport; and
  - c. Increase the number of persons employed.

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